GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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INCREASE IN POWER GENERATION IN SOUTHERN STATES
SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR;T. GOVINDAN

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have set up a special working group to work out the ways and means to increase power availability in the Southern States;

(b) if so, whether any action plan has been formulated by the working group to over come the growing requirement of power in those States;

(c) if so, the details of the steps taken to implement the action plan;

(d) whether the Government have received the request from Kerala Government to restore the quota of unallocated power to the state atleast to the tune of 15 percent; and

(e) the action being taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : Yes, Sir. A Committee has been constituted to review power supply position and suggest measures for improving the power availability in Southern Region.

(b) & (c) : The Committee is yet to submit its report to the Government.

(d) : Yes, Sir.

(e) : The allocation of power out of unallocated quota of central generating stations is reviewed from time to time states of the region and also to meet the emergent/seasonal requirements of the states in the region. The power supply position in the Southern Region was reviewed by the Central Electricity Authority in December, 1999 and the power supply position in Kerala was expected to be comfortable vis-a-vis other states of Southern Region during February, 2000 to June,2000, and therefore the allocation to Kerala out of unallocated quota was reduced from 5% (22 MW) to `Nil`.